

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the title "Molecular Modeling Methods," with the following title:  
Methods of modeling complex formation between a query ligand and a target molecule.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 27, line 9 with the following amended paragraph:

All software was written at Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in Python, Perl or C++ unless otherwise noted. Routines that require molecular representation use the Python or C++ interface to the OEChem library (OpenEye Scientific Software, Santa Fe, NM 87507).

**X-ray Structures.** FASTA (Pearson, W.R., Lipman, D.J. *PNAS*. 1988, 85, 2444-2448) was used to identify X-ray structures in the protein data bank (pdb) (Berman, H.M., et al., *Nucleic Acids Research*. 2000, 28, 235-242) with sequences homologous to the kinase domain of pka $\alpha$  using a cutoff value of 3. Because a high cutoff value was used, the choice of reference kinase sequence does not affect the results. Only structures containing a ligand that binds to the ATP pocket of the kinase were included in the analysis. For pdb files containing multiple structures of the same kinase domain with different chain names, only the first chain containing the kinase domain was included in the analysis. The X-ray structures were aligned in a common coordinate frame by superimposing backbone atoms (N, CA and C) of residues corresponding to 142 – 149 in the jnk3 hinge region onto the jnk3 reference structure (pdb code 1jnk; Xie, X., et al., *Structure*. 1998, 6, 983-991) using the McLachlan algorithm (McLachlan, A.D., *Acta Cryst* 1982, A38,871-873) as implemented in the program ProFit (Martin, A.C.R., <http://www.bioinf.org.uk/software/profit/> <http://www.bioinf.org.us/software/profit/>).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 27, line 25 with the following amended paragraph:

Separate files for ligand and protein atoms were extracted from each aligned pdb file. A SMILES string was obtained for each ligand by converting the IUPAC name in the HETNAM record of the pdb file to SMILES using Chemdraw<sup>TM</sup> (CambridgeSoft, Cambridge, MA 02140)

with manual error checking. The SMILES string and pdb coordinates were then used to create an MDL mol file (MDL Information Systems, San Leandro, CA 94577). A framework library was created by reducing the molecules to frameworks using the method described by Bemis and Murcko (*J Med Chem* 1996, 39, 2887-2893), except that molecular framework carbonyl oxygen atoms directly connected to framework atoms were included.

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Please delete previous abstract at page 53 and add the following new abstract:

Computer-based methods for modeling complex formation between a query ligand and a target macromolecule are described herein. The methods can include, for example, providing a structural model of a query ligand and a structural model of a target macromolecule; identifying a substructure of the query ligand; identifying comparison ligands in a set of 3-D structural models that each share an identical substructure with the query ligand, wherein each 3-D structural model comprises a comparison ligand and a comparison macromolecule, and wherein the comparison macromolecule has structural features homologous to the target macromolecule; mapping spatial relationships between the substructure atoms of the query ligand and the comparison ligand such that corresponding atoms are identified; assigning atomic coordinates to the corresponding atoms of the query ligand; and generating one or more output models, each model comprising a 3-D structural model of the query ligand substructure and the target macromolecule. Related articles and apparatuses are also described.